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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, given in the above-identified application for Letters Patent. Applicant believes that no fees are due on account of this filing; however, should this belief prove erroneous, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees to the CNH America LLC Deposit Account 14-0780.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 6 of this paper.